

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TICKET GENERATION AND ACCOUNTING
ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

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A method and apparatus for generating and accounting for vouchers or tickets is disclosed.

5 In one embodiment, the invention comprises a voucher generation and accounting system which includes a gaming device adapted to accept credit from a player presented voucher, to present a game for play by a player, and pay an award in the event a winning event is achieved by play of the game. The system also includes a host arranged to transmit information to and receive information from the gaming device. A voucher issuance device is adapted to generate data regarding a voucher, print the voucher for issuance and later presentment to the gaming device, and to create a record regarding the voucher. The voucher issuance device communicates with the host for providing voucher information for use by the host in verifying a voucher presented to the gaming device. One embodiment of the invention comprises a method of issuing a voucher with a remote voucher generation device associated with a gaming system including a gaming machine and a host, comprising the steps of generating data regarding a voucher to be printed, creating a record regarding the voucher, printing the voucher and transmitting information regarding the voucher from the remote voucher generation device to the host.

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